



## ST. AUSTIN'S NEWSLETTER

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**Parish Priest:** Canon Michael Neylon

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23<sup>rd</sup> June 2019

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### Corpus Christi

Saturday	Confessions	3.45pm – 4.15pm	
	Vigil Mass	4.30 pm	Private Intention
Sunday	Mass	10.30 am	People of the Parish
	Mass	6.00 pm	Kath Warde

Monday	Mass	10.00 am	M & M O'Donovan
<i>St. John the Baptist</i>			

Tuesday	Mass (In Church)	9.30 am	Ludmila Gora
<i>Feria</i>			

Wednesday	Mass	7.00 pm	Private Intention
<i>Feria</i>			

Thursday	Mass (BMT)	9.15 am	Mary Rees
<i>Feria</i>			
	Funeral Mass	11.00 am.	Frederick Sandy

Friday	Mass	12.00 Noon	Louis Livesey
<i>Sacred Heart</i>			

Saturday	Mass	10.00 am	Winifred Sheridan
<i>Immaculate heart of Mary</i>			
	Confessions & Exposition	10.30 am – 11.30 am	

### Saints Peter & Paul

Saturday	Confessions	3.45 pm – 4.15 pm	
<i>Easter Feria</i>			
	Vigil Mass	4.30 pm	Pat Collins
Sunday	Mass	10.30 am	People of the Parish
	Mass	6.00 pm	Private Intention

Primary School Masses: St Austin's (STA) & Blessed Mother Teresa's (BMT)

### Weekly Events in the Parish

**Monday** - Convent Prayer Group:

St Joseph's Nursing Home in the Convent Chapel at 1.30 p.m.

**Tuesday** - Knit & Natter Group:

Meets in the Parish Room at 2.00 p.m.

**Thursday** - Choir Practice:

Every Thursday evening at 7.30 p.m.

**Rosary:**

A Decade of the Rosary is said after each weekday Mass in Church.

### Our Parish Schools

**Blessed Mother Teresa of Kolkata Primary**

Address: Somerset Road, Stafford, ST 17 9UZ

Telephone: 01785 413276

Website: www.bmtschool.co.uk

**St. Austin's Primary**

Address: Garden Street, Stafford, ST17 4BT

Telephone: 01785 413277

Website: www.st-austins.org.uk

**Blessed William Howard Catholic High School**

Address: Rowley Avenue, Stafford, ST17 9AB

Telephone: 01785 244236

Website: www.bwh.staffs.sch.uk

### Other Catholic Churches in Stafford

St. Anne's:

Parish Priest: Fr. Robert Devaney

Address: Lynton Avenue, Stafford, ST17 0EA

Telephone: 01785 661012

Email: stannes.stafford@gmail.com

Website: www.st-annes-st.org.uk

Saturday: Confessions 5.30pm

Vigil Mass 6.00pm

Sunday: Mass 11.15am

**St. Patrick's:** Served from St Anne's

Address: 48 Sandon Road, Stafford, ST16 3HF

Sunday: Confessions 9.00am

Mass 9.30am

### Offertory Collection

**Gift Aid Envelopes: £550.71**

**Loose: £334.41**

**Day for Life: £415.55**

*Many thanks for your offerings last week*

### Quote from Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation "Amoris Laetitia"

#### Chapter 4 Love in Marriage, Marriage & Virginity

161.(Continued). Whereas virginity is an "eschatological" sign of the risen Christ, marriage is a "historical" sign for us living in this world, a sign of the earthly Christ who chose to become one with us and gave himself up for us even to shedding his blood. Virginity and marriage are, and must be, different ways of loving. For "man cannot live without love. He remains a being that is incomprehensible for himself, his life is senseless, if love is not revealed to him".

### Anniversaries

Edward Smyth, Lucy Leckie, Herbert Dickens, Frederick Willett, Callum Macleod, Isobel McAnerney, Mary Willett, James Kenna, Peter Dunne, John Willett, Robert Evans, Sarah Robinson, Margaret Flaherty, Gertrude Cliff, Patrick Rudkins, Joseph Woods, Katie Conway, Ruby Biddulph, Winifred Hook, Ray Clarke, Winifred Briggs, John Carroll, Cecilia Smallwood, Winifred Parsons, Fr. John Boyer, Fr. James Walsh, Mgr. Hugh Montgomery, Deacon Ralph Watkins, Fr. John Bradley, Fr. John McMorrow.

## General Notices

**Counters:** Group 1 this week. Group 2 is next week.

**Refreshments:** Refreshments are served in the Parish Hall after the 10.30 a.m. Mass every Sunday. All are very welcome.

**Piety Room:** Thanks for your continuous support of the Piety Room. As well as the Catholic papers a variety of cards, rosaries and other items are available.

**First Holy Communion:** Congratulations to the children who will celebrate their First Holy Communion this Sunday at the 10.30 a.m. Mass. Thanks to their families, godparents, teachers and all who have helped to prepare them. The children of St. Austin's School will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving with their fellow pupils at 9.30 a.m. in Church on Tuesday next, 25<sup>th</sup> June. The children of Blessed Mother Teresa School will celebrate their Mass of Thanksgiving in the School at 9.15 a.m. on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June.

**Recently Deceased:** Please remember in prayer: **Frederick Joseph Sandy** whose Reception and Funeral Mass is on **Thursday at 11.00 a.m.** May God grant him eternal peace and rest.

**Padre Pio Prayer Group:** The next meeting of the Group is on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June at 10.30 a.m. in the Parish Room.

### **Message from Archbishop Bernard Longley: IICSA Update**

This week the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (IICSA) has published its report on the Archdiocese of Birmingham.

We apologise to all victims and survivors of child sex abuse. We hope that with this Inquiry they feel that they have been listened to. Even so, words are not enough.

We are committed to continuing to improve our safeguarding procedures and to listen to and learn from victims and survivors. Past failings must never happen again. The diocesan response to the report can be found at

<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/>

If you have a safeguarding matter to report please contact the Archdiocese safeguarding team on 0121 230 6240 or via email: [safeguarding@rc-birmingham.org](mailto:safeguarding@rc-birmingham.org).

**Confirmation:** We look forward to Bishop McGough Celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation at the 10.30 a.m. Mass on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July. Please keep the Candidates and their families in your prayers.

**Hednesford Pilgrimage:** There are details on the board in the porch of the Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes in Hednesford on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July. **This year is the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Pilgrimage.** It also has an additional feature of a Youth Vigil at 7.00 p.m. on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July. Please do all you can to support both events.

**Please note also that the 6.00 p.m. Mass here at St. Austin's will be cancelled on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July.**

**Diaconate Ordinations:** Diaconate Ordinations will take place on Saturday next at Oscott College. They will include Alex Taylor who has been on placement with us on a number of occasions. Please keep them all in your prayers.

**Peter's Pence:** Next Sunday we celebrate the Feast of Sts. Peter & Paul and the second collection is the annual Peter's Pence to support the Pope's Charities.

**Christian Food Help:** All at CFH thank you for your continuous and generous support that enabled **776** food parcels to be distributed during **May**.

**Message from our CAFOD Group:** Please visit <https://cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Climate/Climate-Change> for details of CAFOD' New Campaign on "Our Common Home" CAFOD will be taking part in the Mass Lobby of Parliament on June 26<sup>th</sup>. More details later. We hope to arrange a meeting soon to see what we in Stafford can do to celebrate "Our Common Home".

**Brushstrokes:** Many thanks to all who have donated so generously to Brushstrokes. Your donations have been very much appreciated. There is an ongoing need for food, toiletries and children's clothes-could we also appeal for nappies, kitchenware-pots, pans, crockery and cutlery. Towels and bed linen would also be gratefully received. Thank you again for your great generosity.

**Diary Dates:** Please note the following days and dates for forthcoming events:

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July:** Cemetery Sunday. Blessing of Graves

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July:** Mass at St. Thomas Mill Farm.